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SUBJECT: NEW CANADIAN AID FOR DISPLACED PAKISTANIS

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¶1. (U) Summary: Canada will provide C\$25 million (C\$1 = US\$0.93) in additional support to displaced civilians in Pakistan. The contribution brings Canada's total humanitarian assistance to Pakistan to C\$33 million since October 2008. Canada also remains active in facilitating dialogue and improving border management between Afghanistan and Pakistan through the Dubai Process (reftel).
End summary.

¶2. (U) During a tour of the Jalozai Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Camp in Pakistan on August 12, Canadian Minister for International Cooperation Bev Oda announced that Canada will increase its contributions for humanitarian relief efforts in the North West Frontier Province and Federally Administered Tribal Areas of Pakistan by C\$25 million. Minister Oda (also Vice-Chair of Canada's Cabinet Committee on Afghanistan) noted that Canada's additional support will help provide immediate goods and services, including humanitarian food assistance, emergency shelter, water and sanitation facilities, as well as basic health care to affected populations. Canada's total humanitarian assistance to Pakistan since October 2008 will be C\$33 million.

¶3. (U) Canada will initially channel the additional funds through:

-- World Food Programme: C\$8 million for general food distribution and supplementary food distribution inside and outside camps to children, infants, young children, and pregnant and nursing mothers;

-- International Committee of the Red Cross: C\$5 million for essential household items, water and sanitation, protection services, and medical and surgical treatment;

-- UNHCR: C\$4.5 million for shelter and relief;

-- UNICEF: C\$2.5 million for drinking water, sanitation and hygiene services, nutritional supplements, vaccinations, emergency education opportunities and protection;

-- Save the Children Canada: C\$1 million for basic health services;

-- Oxfam Canada: C\$500,000 for water, sanitation and hygiene supplies, public health promotion, and emergency financial support;

-- World Vision Canada: C\$500,000 for essential non-food relief;

-- CARE Canada: C\$500,000 for basic health services; and,

-- UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs: C\$200,000 for coordination services.

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